



# STATE OF NEVADA

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

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Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 445B, the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445B, and the Clean Air Act, the Division of Environmental Protection is issuing the following notice.

The Administrator received an application for a revision to Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to Construct (OPTC) AP9711-2757 from the following applicant:

Department of the Army - Hawthorne Army Depot  
1 South Maine Avenue  
Hawthorne, Nevada 89415-5000

The Hawthorne Army Depot is located in Mineral County, Nevada, approximately one mile north of Hawthorne, Nevada, U.S. Hwy 95 North, Section 17, T8N, R30E (MDB&M). The Administrator has prepared a tentative determination regarding the operating permit that, in brief, includes the following primary equipment:

Installation and operation of a revised Comp A5 demilitarization recovery/recycling process. The revised Comp A5 operation is made up of two systems. Each system consists of a primary Comp A5 collection process and a secondary Comp A5 collection process. Each of the four collection processes (two primary and two secondary) consists of collection pipes, a first stage separator (cyclone), a second stage separator (baghouse), a third stage separator (HEPA filter), a 40 hp vacuum blower, and a small exhaust stack. Installation and operation of the revised Comp A5 process will result in a net decrease in PM/PM<sub>10</sub> emissions of 2.2 tons per year on a facility-wide basis.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS, the NAC and the Clean Air Act, the Administrator is hereby announcing her intent to issue the revised Class I OPTC AP9711-2757 based on a review of the information, as proposed. A copy of the draft revised OPTC is available for public inspection at the following locations:

Mineral County Library  
First and A Street  
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding this proposed action, or to request a hearing pursuant to NRS 445B Air Pollution and NAC 445B Air Controls, should submit their comments or request in writing, either in person or by mail or fax within thirty (30) days to:

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The application, draft permit, any comments received, and other relevant information may be copied at the above address or copies may be obtained by written request to the above address. Written comments or objections will be received at the Division of Environmental Protection, above address, until **June 25, 2012**, and will be retained and considered prior to final action on the revised Class I OPTC. Upon a valid written request received prior to the end of the comment period, the Administrator will schedule a public hearing on the application and proposed action.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know may be interested in this matter.